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## AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to a first non-final office action in the above case dated September 18, 2006 ("Office Action"), in which the Examiner rejected all the claims as anticipated (35 U.S.C. §102) or obvious (35 U.S.C. §103) over cited art. On December 18<sup>th</sup>, the attorney for applicants and the Examiners held a phone interview discussing certain amendments to the claims and patentability arguments to distinguish over the cited art. Applicants submit the amendments and arguments discussed during the phone interview. Applicants further submit that all pending claims 1-18 are patentable over the cited art and in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7.